

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE,
AND LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS WITH PROPER IDENTIFIERS**

- 1.-12 (Canceled)
13. (Previously presented) The electric propulsion vehicle of claim 18, wherein the sections cover 60° of a circumferential area of the laminations.
14. (Canceled)
15. (Previously presented) The electric propulsion vehicle of claim 18, wherein the rotor has permanent magnets.
16. (Previously presented) The electric propulsion vehicle of claim 18, wherein the rotor has at least one induction cage.
17. (Previously presented) The electric propulsion vehicle of claim 18, wherein the stator has a gapped tooth coil winding.
18. (Currently amended) An electric propulsion vehicle, comprising:
a vehicle body;
a wheel set mounted to the vehicle body; and
~~an electric machine~~ a direct drive operatively connected directly to the wheel set for torque transmission for mobility of the wheel set on rails, said electric machine including a rotor, a stator spaced from the rotor by an air gap and formed by a plurality of laminations having axial slots and teeth extending between adjacent slots in a direction of the air gap, wherein the laminations have two sections configured without slots while following a contour of a stator bore in the area of the air gap and positioned in circumferential direction of the stator in opposing relationship between the vehicle body and the rails; and pre-fabricated tooth coils ~~placed~~ concentrated about at least a predefined number of teeth in one-to-one correspondence.